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Attention, Subscribers!

We have been publishing The Newport Plain Talk over three months since the fire destroyed our plant and our books. We have made a request that readers call and see us and look up their receipts and bring same along. Unless we hear from you in the near future we will be compelled to take our records in hand as the official record of your account. Whether you are indebted to us or not, let us know how your account stands. THE NEWPORT PLAIN TALK.

Farmers throughout this section are suffering because of the drouth.

And it seems that everybody got aboard the waterworks band wagon.

A man gets credit for his stand, no matter whether right or wrong, but the devil hates a quitter.

Its the way of the world that the new found friend crowds the old, tried and true friend off the map.

After having jolted the Standard Oil and Tobacco trusts, the government now plans to swat the Lum ber trust one.

Criticism of others for doing things which you would like to do, is merely a confession that you are lacking in nerve and ability.

George Smith is wearing a broad smile, for he is bound to be given much of the credit for the bringing in of a water system to Newport, for it has been his fight for many months.

The magazines will now probably hammer some more at Hitchcock as it is announced that there was no postal deficit this last year, and they will show that there is no need of taxing them any further.

The Board of Aldermen have come in for some criticism, through the hasty contract award, but we believe that their action was above suspicion, and the citizens should rejoice because the contract for the work is actually let.

"There is a rumor afloat that Gov. B. W. Hooper may be a candidate for the next U. S. congress from the First Congressional District of Tennessee. If this should be the case, Governor Hooper will make a clean sweep of the First District. Governor Hooper's home in Cocke county about the center of the First Congressional District, and his past record in life and his record so far as Governor of the Volunteer State would place him in the front rank for Congress in which he would be a useful man to his District."—Jonesboro Herald and Tribune.

The Jonesboro Herald and Tribune certainly is barking up the wrong tree. Wonder what it thinks would happen to Congressman Sam Sells and we wonder if that paper really believes that Hooper or any other man in the district could defeat Sam Sells at the polls under present conditions. It probably does not know that Governor Hooper has said that he has no desire for congressional honors, and incidentally that he is a close friend of Congressman Sells.

When Did The Times Boost Waterworks?

The Newport Times is now posing as the champion and advocate of waterworks. It goes so far as to suggest that it is and has also been in favor of other public improvements and refers to the completion of the pike work with much satisfaction. A chameleon which by nature changes color, imitating the color in which it is reflected, is an ordinary creature in comparison with The Times. We cannot accuse the chameleon of being a "band wagon" creature, but we do know that The Times and its associates jump aboard every band wagon which comes along, and do so with such amazing gall that they hide their fickleness under the enthusiasm which is shown. Those present at the meeting of the Board of Aldermen last Tuesday night heard the editor of The Times make a "speech?" In it he said that he was publishing a little old paper up the street (a frank confession is good for the soul) and that he had been boosting waterworks so long that he had worn out his type and he wanted to go to press the next day and tell the people of Newport that the contract had been let and the bonds sold. Imagine The Times as a booster. When did it publish any waterworks boosting matter before it received a contract for the printing of waterworks ordinances, etc., at so much per line? When the Board of Aldermen was endeavoring to give the franchise away to private individuals did The Times raise up its voice in protest? Never a word; but instead it pictured the private ownership in the brightest of light. Did those interested in the policy of The Times try to put it right? Perhaps the guiding hand had not seen the way the land lay at that time and did not know that it was time to jump aboard the municipal ownership band wagon. THE NEWPORT PLAIN TALK, long before its present publisher took charge, was an advocate of municipal ownership of the water system. It made its fight with the assistance of a few individuals and finally the springs, described by experts to be the best adapted for its purpose of any in the United States became the property of the town instead of private individuals. THE PLAIN TALK made its fight alone and it has ever since been plugging away hoping that a Board of Aldermen would be elected which would see that the people got a square deal and given a chance to voice their sentiments. The power of public opinion was so strong that every candidate in the last election announced that he was in favor of municipal owned waterworks. Even the mayor, who had done everything in his power during the previous administration to give the springs away at original cost, jumped aboard the band wagon, and true to their promise, the board gave the opportunity they had sought and there was little or no opposition manifested. When did The Times get interested in waterworks, to such an extent that it had the nerve to voice its sentiments in its paper? We believe that interest was first recognized by the public about the time that The Times had its first printing to do for the corporation and as more and more printing has come its way, it has become more ardent in its support of the proposition, until it has now developed into a full fledged booster. Every time a public improvement proposition has been brought up The Times has been fighting it, except in cases of doubtful improvement, at which time The Times is generally found trying to assist in the cover-up. It fought bonds for good roads until the fight became a personal matter, and when it and the interests it represented were whipped, it became silent and now that the roads are proving to be all that they were represented it has become an advocate of the good roads question and, but for the fact that the people have such a keen memory of its former fight, would now be in the lead suggesting that the county be bonded again, more heavy than before for more roads. This is what we want to see done. We don't believe that the people put much faith in this last new grand stand play of The Times. We don't believe that the people are worrying any about the amount of type worn out boosting public improvements. We don't believe that its own readers believe that the chameleon can retain one color long enough to be secure.

The Lorimer case is to be reopened and Senator Luke Lea will be a member of the committee which investigates the election of the Illinois senator. The Blond Boss could save a lot of trouble if he would admit his guilt and resign.

JUNE

Month of the bride and the rose,
Month of the sweet graduate;
Hope freights each zephyr that blows,
Who can go clinging to hate?
Strawberries heaped on the plate,
The brook singing songs as it flows—
Month of the bride and the rose,
Month of the sweet graduate.
A boat and a jugful of bait,
Or a hammock in which to repose
Why sit and grumble at fate?
June may be lovely—who knows?
Month of the bride and the rose,
Month of the sweet graduate.

DISTANT RELATIVE.

Johnny's mother bought him a fire engine. He wanted to see how it worked, and of course in a very short time the wheels were off. She was naturally very angry with him and punished him severely. When daddy came home he found his small son sitting in the nursery with very red eyes.
"Why, my poor old man," he inquired, "what is the matter?"
"Nuffin, sniffed the small boy.
"But something must be wrong," persisted daddy. "Do tell me."
"Oh, well, if you want to know," said the little boy. "I have just been having an awful row with your wife."
—N.Y. Bits.

All the small politicians are not in the Tennessee legislature. Some of the members of the New Jersey legislature want to "dock" Governor Wilson for the month he is absent on his tour of the west.—Exchange.

"A BUSINESS PROPOSITION."

There was a time when a country newspaper was run as an organ of a reformer or a politician, usually more or less an object of charity, though when such newspapers were of real service they prospered after a fashion. Today a newspaper is a business proposition.—Extract From Editorial in Caledonia (N. Y.) Era.

The Charleston News and Courier learns that "the man who wanted to give Mr. Bryan \$2,000,000 for moving to Memphis is insane." We had suspected as much. Only a crazy man would have suspected that Mr. Bryan would move to Memphis for any consideration.—Bristol Herald Courier.

CONGRATULATED THEM.

A polish couple came before a Justice of the Peace to be married. The young man handed him the marriage license and the pair stood up before him.
"Join hands," said the Justice of the Peace.
They did so and Justice looked at the document, which authorized him to unite in matrimony Zacharewicz Pereynski and Leokowards Jeulinski.
"Ahem," he said, "Zacha-h'm-ski, do you take woman," &c.
"Yes, Sir," responded the young man.
"Leo-h'm-ski, do you take this man to be," &c.
"Yes, sia," replied the woman.
"Then I pronounce you man and wife."
said the justice, glad to find something he could pronounce, "and I heartily congratulate you both on having reduced those two names to one.—Lippincott's.

Bilious? Feel heavy after dinner? Tongue coated? Bitter taste? Complexion, sallow? Liver needs waking up. Doan's Regulets cure bilious attacks. 25 cents at any drug store.

THE HOUSE FLY.

"Don't come into my parlor," said the housewife to the fly;
There's a screen at every window, and your entrance I defy.
There are microbes in your footsteps and a crust upon your head,
Which, if not so microscopic, would fill our hearts with dread.
You carry germs of typhoid and spread consumption's bane,
And our sanitary teachers paint your crimes in language plain.
Don't come into my parlor; and for safety I would pray
If you walked into my dining room upon some sunny day.
There are needs or vile distempers hidden in your tiny wings,
And your many feet have traveled over nameless filthy things.
You're a menace to our safety, you are powerful though small,
And the mischief you accomplish would the bravest heart appal.
If you enter, I have poison all prepared for you to eat,
And paper spread to tangle your germ-laden wings and feet.
I will poison, trap or smash you if you do not leave my door;
For our modern sanitation will endure your calls no more."
—A. F. Dyer, in Good Housekeeping.

Tennessee Crops

The first crop report of the year has been issued by the State Board of Agriculture. Cotton acreage is 6 per cent higher than last year, while the condition is 81 per cent, against 65 per cent last year. Wheat condition is 11 points higher than last year. Oats is 3 points higher. The corn acreage is less, but the condition is slightly higher. Tobacco acreage is 9 per cent less. Reports indicate about half a crop of apples.

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